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The reply filed on 9/17/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendments to the claims to do not follow the Amendment Practice of 37 CFR 1.173 (b). Specifically,

There is no separate page indicating the status of claims and support for claim changes (see 37 CFR 1.173 (c)).

For any claim changed by the amendment paper, a parenthetical expression "amended," "twice amended," etc., should follow the claim number (see 37 CFR 1.173 (b)(2)).

The matter to be omitted in a reissue must be enclosed in brackets (see 37 CFR 1.173 (d)(1)).

The Revised Amendment Practice of 37 CFR 1.121 does not apply to Reissue applications.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anne R. Kubelik, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0801. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amy Nelson, can be reached at (571) 272-0804. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to Customer Service at (703) 308-0198.

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